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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

State Clearinghouse Number: 2011021038

Project Title: Carmel River Floodplain Restoration and Environmental Enhancement (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-MON-16016-R4)

Project Location: The Project is located adjacent to the southern perimeter of the Carmel River and its associated 135-acre floodplain area, approximately 0.5 mile east of the Carmel River Lagoon; east and west of California State Route 1; in the City of Carmel, Monterey County, California, 93923; Section 00, Township 16 South, Range 1 West, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) map Monterey; Latitude 36°32'1.89"N, Longitude -121°54'53.50"W.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-MON-16016-R4, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Shandy Carroll of the Monterey County Resource Management Agency.

The Project includes activities related to the restoration and improved hydrological function to approximately 135 acres of historical Carmel River Floodplain. The Project will include largescale restorative grading and the construction of a causeway that will allow flood flows to pass under California State Route 1 resulting in improved floodplain hydrology and the reduction of offsite flooding and will restore hydrologic connectivity between the Project Area and the Carmel Lagoon.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above-described project on 8/1/2022 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment. This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
2. CDFW considered the environmental impact report prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A statement of overriding considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The final environmental impact report prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency.

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For Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____